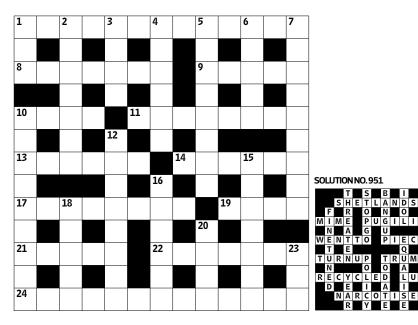
## **SPEEDY CROSSWORD NO. 952**



## **ACROSS**

- 1 Have a big success or stroke of fortune (3,3,7)
- 8 Pleasantly sharp or appetising (7)
- **9** Impulses (5)
- **10** Give a broad smile (4)
- **11** Large brightly–coloured handkerchief or neckerchief (variant spelling) (8)
- **13** Fervent, even militant, proponent of something (6)
- **14** William -----, English 19th century poet and socialist (6)
- 17 Butterfly-shaped bone at the base of the skull (8)
- **19** Content of cognition (4)
- 21 Turn back to zero (5)
- 22 Sucker (Bot) (7)
- **24** Be aloof so as to heighten the interest of an admirer (4,4,2,3)

## **DOWN**

- 1 1950s dance event (3)
- **2** Equal it! (anag) (7)
- 3 Humorous or malicious deception (4)
- 4 Goods thrown overboard (6)
- **5** Very large pot for boiling (8)
- **6** One who follows a polytheistic or pre-Christian religion, but not a Jew (5)
- 7 Body of water separating Australia and New Zealand (6,3)
- 10 Troubled coastal region bordering Israel and Egypt (4,5)
- **12** Of the highest quality (8)
- **15** Danger sign (3,4)
- **16** Reflect (6)
- **18** Book of prophecies (5)
- 20 Sprint? Yes he does! (4)
- 23 Dram (3)